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W-APT™ Screener
WIDA ACCESS Placement Test
Idaho SDE Guidance
2015-2016





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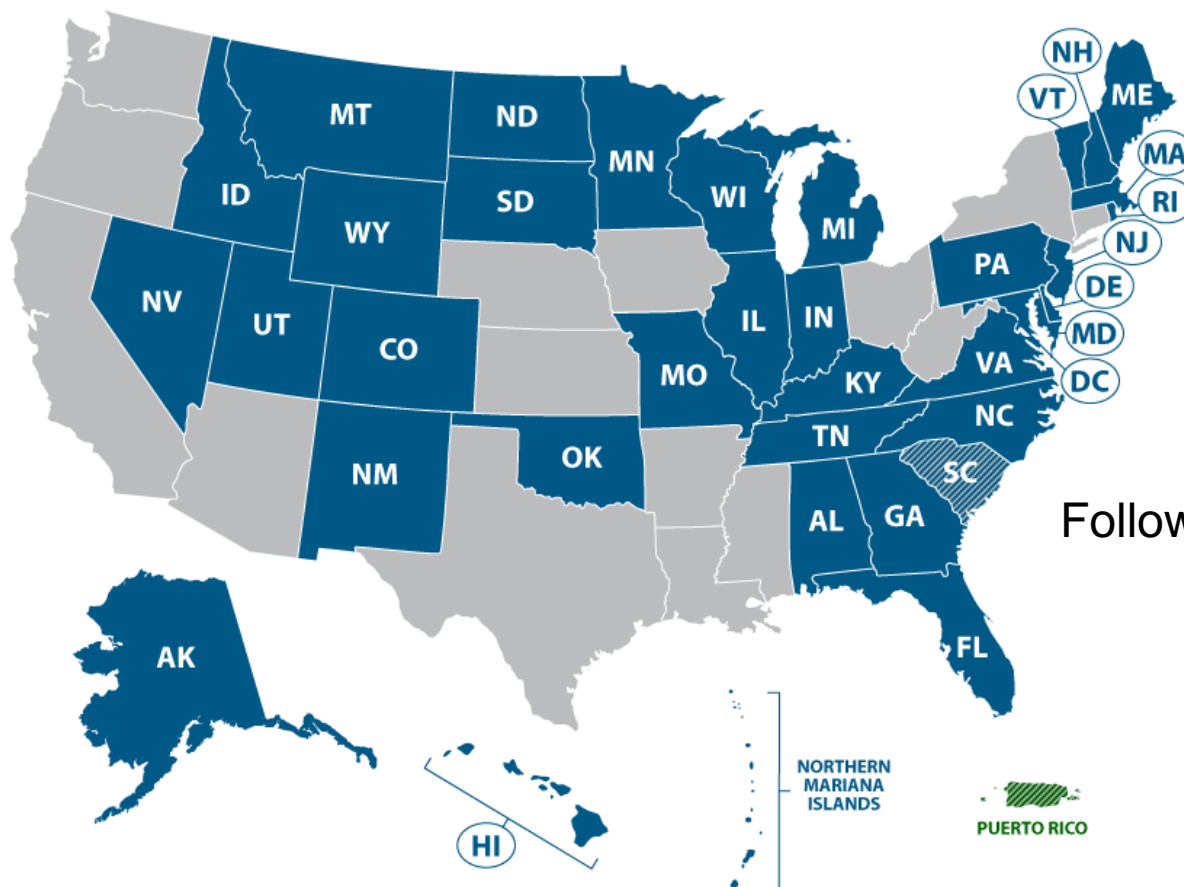


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Idaho Identification Criteria

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All districts/schools are required to have a home language survey (HLS) to determine **if** a student **may qualify** for an English language instructional program.

A sample survey, in English and Spanish, can be found in Appendix A of Idaho's State LEP/Title III Program Manual.

http://www.sde.idaho.gov/site/lep/state_federal.htm.



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The Home Language Survey (HLS) must include at least the following questions:

- What is the primary language spoken in the home?
- Is any language other than English spoken in the home?
- Which language does your child most often use?
- What language do you use to speak to your child?
- What language does your child use to speak with others?



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If the student's HLS indicates a language other than English; and an environment where a language other than English is dominant, the student must be tested with W-APT within 30 days of the start of the school year.

Following the first 30 days of registration, districts must screen students within 2 weeks of their entry into the school.



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What is the W-APT?

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- The W-APT is an English language proficiency screener given to incoming students who may be identified as needing English language support.
- W-APT Results are an indicator of a student's language proficiency level (1 - 6) on the WIDA continuum and are used for potential placement into language services.
- An aid to determining appropriate levels and amounts of instructional services



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Purposes of W-APT

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- An assessment used to determine eligibility for language support services
- An indicator of a student's language proficiency level (1 through 6) on the WIDA continuum



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The W-APT is Not...

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- The W-APT is not a substitute for the annual English proficiency assessment for ELLs (Access 2.0 for ELs).
- The W-APT should not be used for the purpose of progress monitoring or exiting a student from language support services.



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What is W-APT assessing?

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- **Language proficiency** involves the **language** associated with content areas.
- **Content knowledge** reflects the declarative (what) and procedural knowledge (how) associated with **content**.

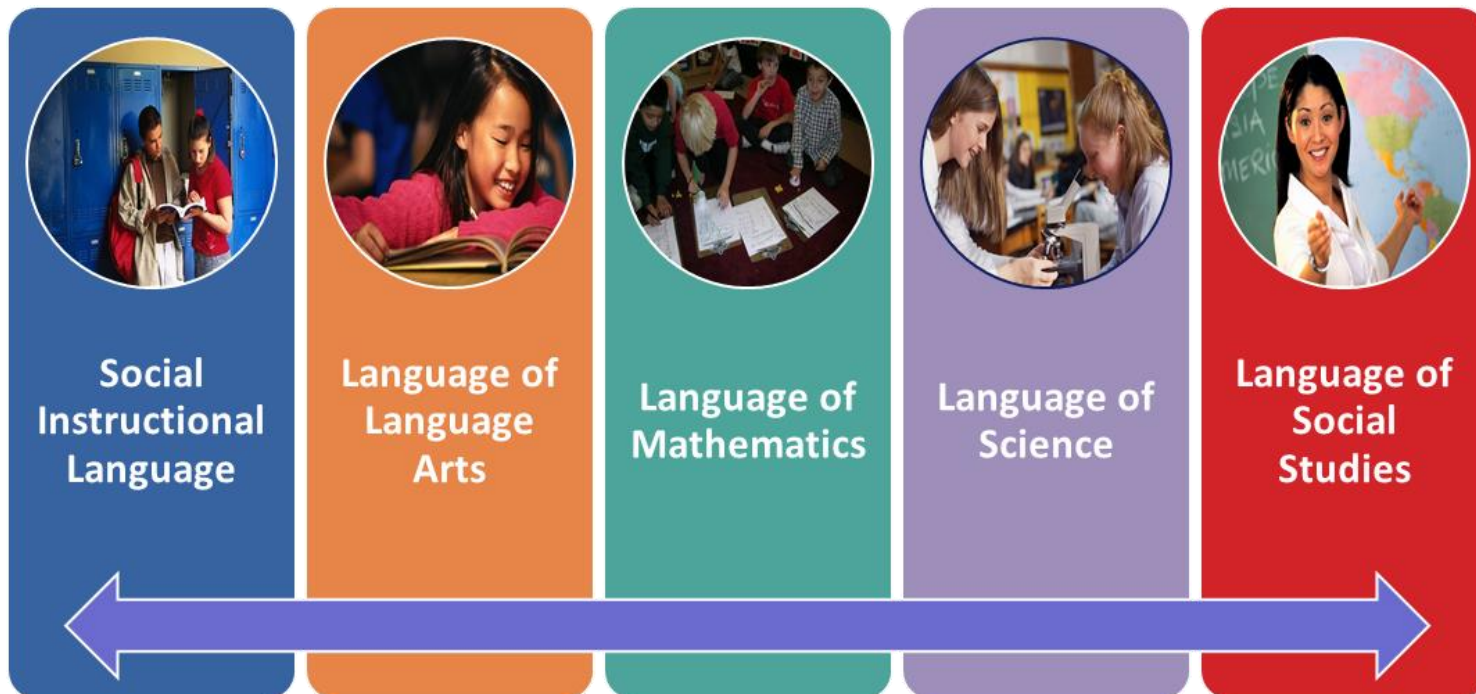


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WIDA English Language Development Standards

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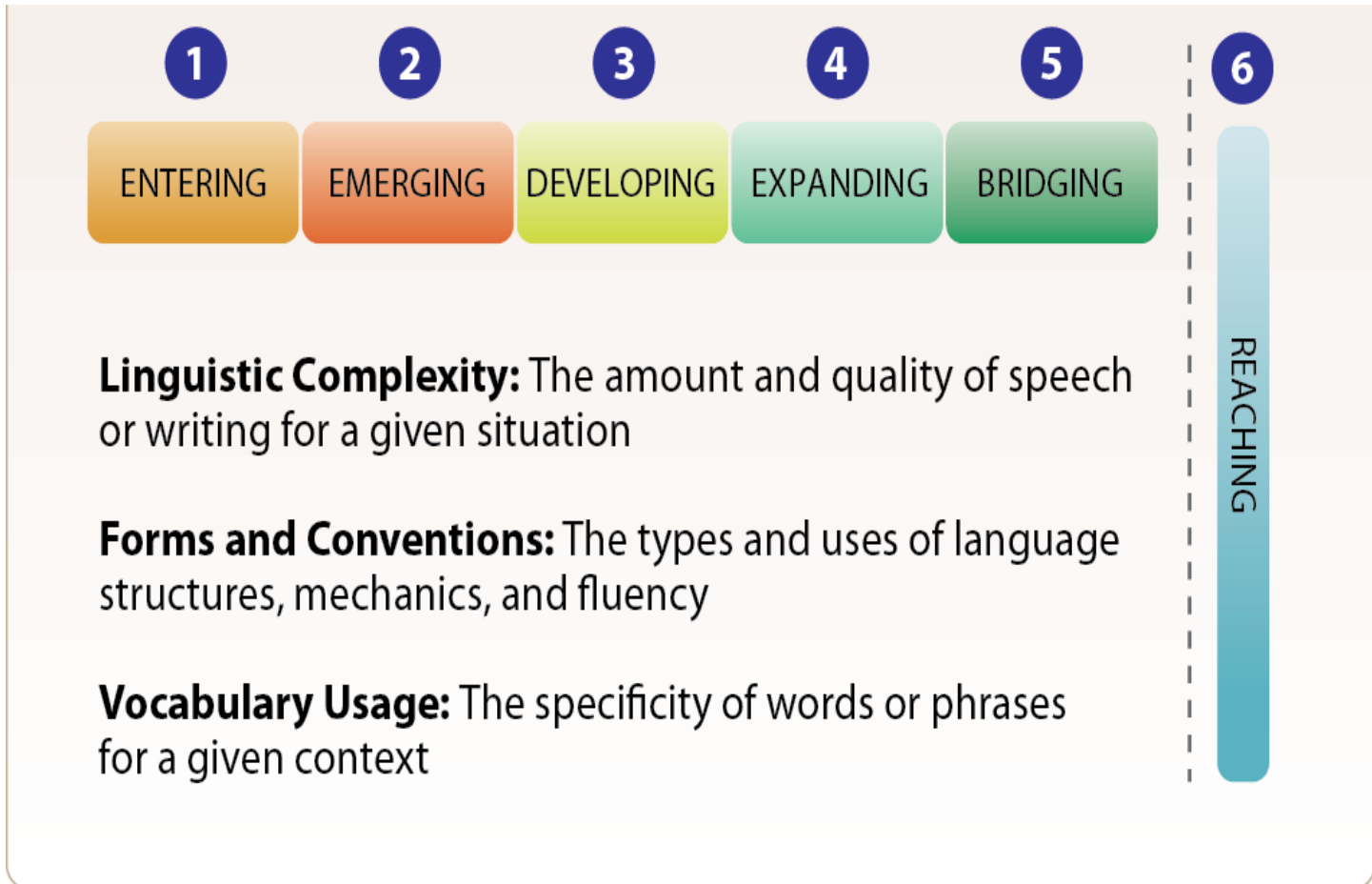


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Performance Definition Criteria

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Four Language Domains

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Listening

Speaking

Reading

Writing



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Structure of W-APT

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- Aligned to WIDA ELD Standards
- 5 grade level clusters: K, 1-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12
- Discriminates across full range of ELP Scale (Levels 1-6)
- Fully adaptive
- Individually administered and scored by trained staff
- Online Score Calculator, converts raw scores and calculates the composite level (CPL) score for grades 1-12
Kindergarten is scored on the testing form



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What form of W-APT should be used?

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First Semester													
Grade Level	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Grade Level Cluster Test	K	K	1-2	1-2	3-5	3-5	3-5	6-8	6-8	6-8	9-12	9-12	9-12

Second Semester													
Grade Level	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Grade Level Cluster Test	K	1-2	1-2	3-5	3-5	3-5	6-8	6-8	6-8	9-12	9-12	9-12	9-12

At semester, **Grades 1, 3, 6 and 9** change Grade-Level Cluster test forms

Kindergarten students:

- 1st semester – administer only two domains, Listening and Speaking
- 2nd semester – administer all four domains (Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing)



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Idaho Identification Guidance for 1st Semester Kindergarten

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- Administer the Kindergarten W-APT
- Administer only the Listening and Speaking domains.
- Regardless of their combined Listening/Speaking raw score, students:
 - Are coded as L1 (1st year identified)
 - Do not have an opportunity to exit ELL status until the student meets the state's exit criteria.



Idaho Identification Guidance for 2nd Semester Kindergarten

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- Administer the Kindergarten W-APT
- Administer all four domains
- Regardless of their combined Listening/Speaking, Reading and Writing raw scores, students:
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 - Do not have an opportunity to exit ELL status until the student meets the state's exit criteria.



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Idaho Identification Guidance for 1st Semester 1st Grade

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- Administer the Kindergarten W-APT
- Administer all four domains
- To meet the minimum criteria for English proficiency, a student must score:
 - A combined Listening and Speaking score of 29 or higher,
 - AND a Reading score of 14 or higher,
 - AND a Writing score of 17 or higher
- These students do not qualify for ELL support services.



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1st Graders (2nd Semester) – 12th Grades

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- Administer grade specific cluster W-APT
- Administer all four domains
- To meet the minimum criteria for English proficiency, a student must score:
 - The grade-level adjusted composite score is 5.0 or higher
 - AND all domains are 5.0 or higher
- These students do not qualify for ELL support services



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W-APT 1-12th Online Score Report

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About W-APT Preparation Administration Scores & Reports

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Features

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- Social & Instructional Language
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Grades W-APT™ 6-8 Scoring Sheet

Test Administrator Date

Student Information

School/District

First name Last name

Age Birth Date

Student ID Home Language

Student's Current Grade

6

Grade Level Cluster

6-8

Speaking

Test Total Number of Boxes Marked "Exceeds" or "Meets" 3

Writing Test

Writing Test Proficiency Level (PL) 1

Listening Test

Number of Correct Answers 5

Reading Test

Number of Correct Answers 2

Speaking Proficiency Level	2
Writing Proficiency Level	1
Listening Proficiency Level	1
Reading Proficiency Level	1
Literacy Composite Proficiency Level	1.0
Grade Adjusted Literacy CPL	1
Oral Composite Proficiency Level	1.5
Grade Adjusted Oral CPL	1.7
Overall Composite Proficiency Level	1.15 (truncated = 1.1)
Grade Adjusted Composite Proficiency Level	1.3



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Accessing W-APT Testing Materials

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- District Assessment and ELL Coordinators were assigned a secure user name/password for accessing W-APT testing materials.
- Testing Administrators/Proctors obtain testing materials from the district.
- Testing materials are free and downloadable for printing at <http://wida.us/assessment/w-apt/>
- A master copy may be ordered for purchase by District Assessment and ELL Coordinators from MetriTech.

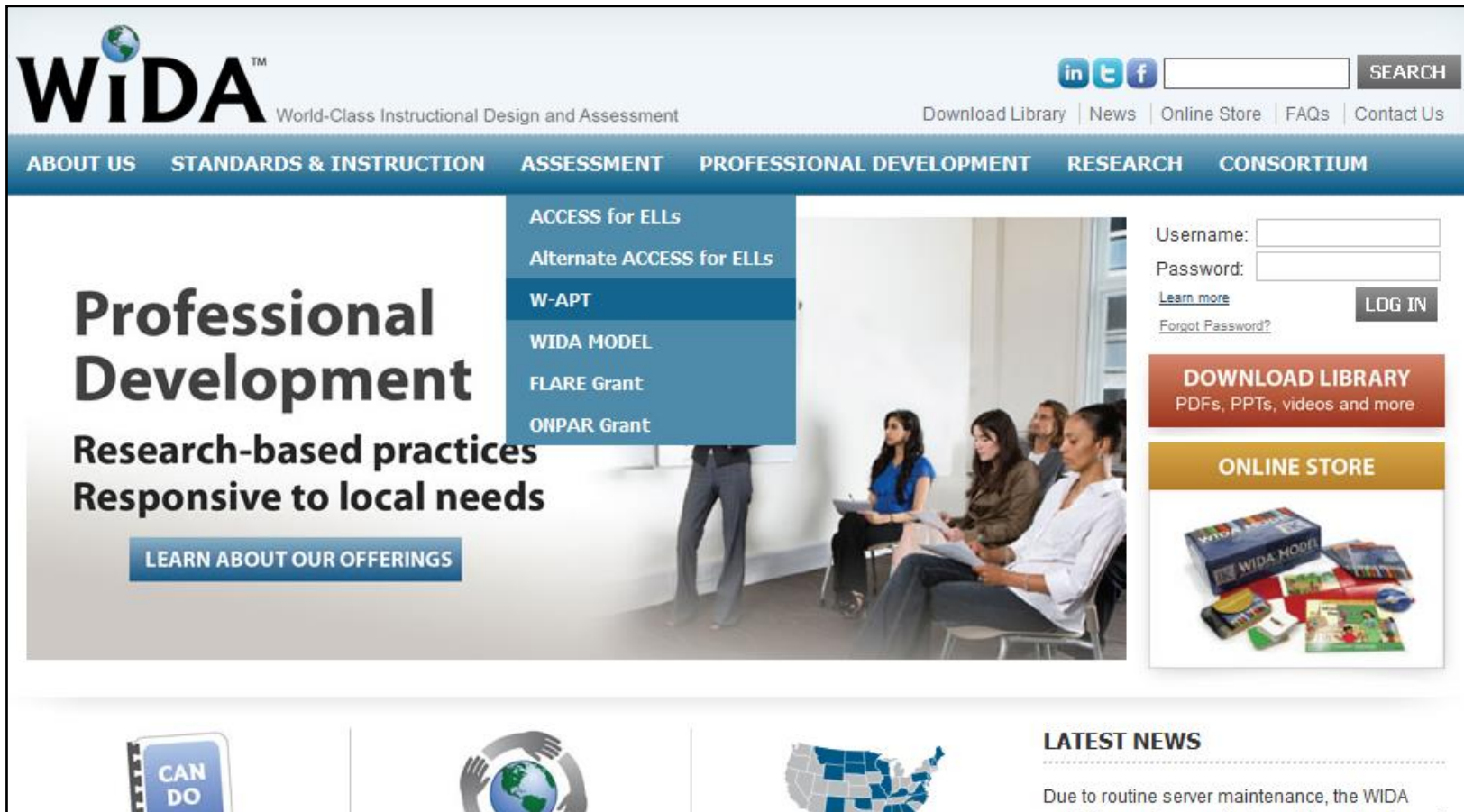


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Testing Administrator/Proctor Expectations

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At the minimum, we expect that all staff responsible for administering the W-APT would:

- Obtain training annually
- Read the W-APT Test Administration Manual(s) and follow the testing protocol
- Read Scored Student Writing Samples
- Watch training webinars



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- For Assessment Guidance, contact Nichole Hall
 - 208-332-6933 or nhall@sde.idaho.gov
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